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1. The Shensi-Sinkiang Highway, known as the Shen-Hsin Highway (陝新公路), is an all paved road running from Sian (108-54,34-16) to Tihua (87-36,43-48), passing through the following points: Pinglianghsien (106-29,35-31), Huachaling (approximately 104-45,35-30), Lanchou (103-41,36-03), Chiuchuanhsien (98-33,39-46), Hsinghsinghsia (95-09,41-48), Hamhsien (93-27,42-48) and Tufan (Tufanfahsien /89-04,42-57). The highway is 2,711 kilometers in length.
2. The South Sinkiang Highway, known as the Nan Chiang Highway (南疆公路), is a dirt road which will accommodate motor cars; it is 881 kilometers long and runs from Anhsi (95-57,40-32) to Chochiang (88-02,39-02), passing through Tzuhsuanhsien (94-47), Tzuhsungshan (unlocated), Chin Yen Shan (金雁山) and Hung Liu Kou (紅柳溝).
3. The Tihua-Chichiaoching Highway, known as the Ti-Ch'i Highway (迪七公路), is 403 kilometers long and runs from Tihua to Chichiaoching (Chilanting 91-34,43-30), passing through Foukang (88-10,44-10), Chitai (Kitai 89-28,44-03) and Muleiho (90-10,43-49).
4. The Tihua-Kashgar (Sufuhsien/Koshih) Highway, known as the Ti-Ko Highway (迪喀公路), is 1487 kilometers long and runs from Paiyang (88-29,44-04), which is 92 kilometers from Tihua, to Kashgar (75-59,39-27), passing through Tokosun (83-34,42-22), Kuernho (Koria 86-20,41-44), Yenchihhsien (Kara Shahr 86-33,42-04), Akosuhhsien (Aksu 79-58,41-06) and Pachuhhsien (Mural-Bash 78-17,39-44).
5. The Tihua-Khorgas (Huorhokuossu) Highway, known as the Ti-Huo Highway (迪霍公路), is 655 kilometers long and runs from Tihua to Khorgas (80-20,44-15) on the Sinkiang-Soviet border, passing through Changchihsien (87-17,44-03), Hutupai (86-57,44-07), Suilai (Manass 86-19,44-21), Wusu (84-40,44-28) and Chingho (82-47,44-39).
6. The Wusu-Tarbagatai (Tacheng) Highway, known as the Wu-T'a Highway (烏塔公路), runs from Wusu (84-40,44-28) to Tarbagatai (Tacheng 83-07,46-45) and is 354 kilometers in length.

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7. The Omin-Ashan Highway, known as the O-Ah Highway (額阿公路), is 552 kilometers long and runs from Omin (83-18,46-33) to Ashan (Aerhtashan 87-43 or Chenghua 88-07,47-52).
8. The Kashgar-Yutien Highway, known as the Ko-Yu Highway (喀于公路), runs from Kashgar to Yutien (81-40,36-52), passing through Yingchisha (76-10,38-55), Soche (77-16,38-24), Yehcheng (77-26,37-53), Pishan (78-19,37-38) and Hotien (79-56,37-07). It is 792 kilometers long.
9. The Kuerhlo-Chochiang Highway, known as the K'u-Cho Highway (庫婁公路), is 442 kilometers in length and runs from Kuerhlo (86-20,41-44) to Chochiang (88-02,39-02), passing through Weili (86-20,41-30).
10. The Pachu-Soche Highway, known as the Pa-So Highway (巴莎公路), is 217 kilometers in length and runs from Pachu (78-17,39-44) to Soche (77-16,38-24), passing through Maitaiti (77-34,38-54).
11. The Central Government plans to build a road from Hayaerh (93-14,36-58) to Chochiang. A paved road already runs from Tulan to Hayaerh and a third class dirt road is in operation from Hsining to Tulan.
12. The Chinghai-Sinkiang Highway, known as the Ch'ing-Hsin Highway (青新公路), was planned originally to go from Woyao (窩腰公路) to Yatashihkan (88-21,39-04), passing through Tejinhsiang (97-40,36-15), Palung (97-22,36-11), Koerhau (94-55,36-25) and Kansan (91-48,37-43). The section from Woyao to Mang Yai (茫崖), near Hayaerh (93-14,36-58)---the length of which is 1070 kilometers---was finished in September 1947; the remainder is still under construction. The new plan for completing the highway is to build a branch line from somewhere near Kansan, passing through Ch'ai Ta Mu Basin (92-36,36-36 柴達木盆地) to Chin Yen Shan (金雁山) in order to connect with the South Sinkiang Highway.
13. The Sinkiang-Suiyuan Highway, known as the Hsin-Sui Highway (新綏公路), runs from Huanglukang (93-55,42-40), near Hami, (93-27,42-48), to Pailingmiao (110-27,41-50), passing through Wukochingtzu (五個井子), Kuaitzuhu (拐子湖) and Heishatu (107-56,39-09).
14. Chochiang-Yutien Highway, known as the Cho-Yu Highway (婁于公路), runs from Chochiang (88-02,39-02) to Yutien (81-40,36-52). This Highway, which is estimated to be 882 kilometers long, has only recently been under construction. Because of a shortage of funds to build the Highway, construction has been slow. This is probably the most strategic of the highways in the area as it will connect with all important points in South Sinkiang. In the event that North Sinkiang should fall, reinforcements and supplies could be transported from important centers such as Kashgar, Hotien, Akosu and Yenchu. This highway when completed will represent a good route of withdrawal for forces in North Sinkiang.

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